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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C.  
§ 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

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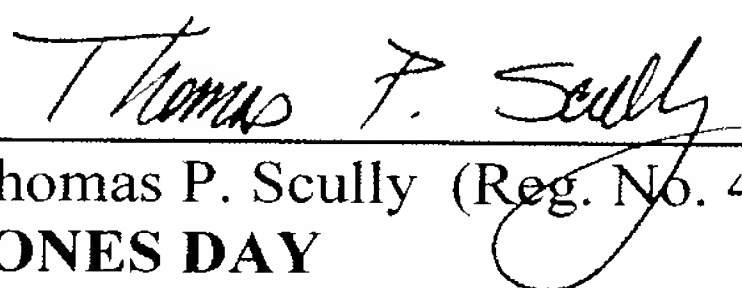
Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements ("the Notification") dated May 22, 2007, in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants submit herewith: (1) a Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by the inventors Christof Dutoit and Christoph Fürst, and (2) a copy of The Notification of Missing Requirements.

In accordance with the Notification, the fee required for filing the Declaration For Non-Provisional Patent Application is estimated to be \$130.00. Please charge this fee and any additional fees required to comply with the Notification to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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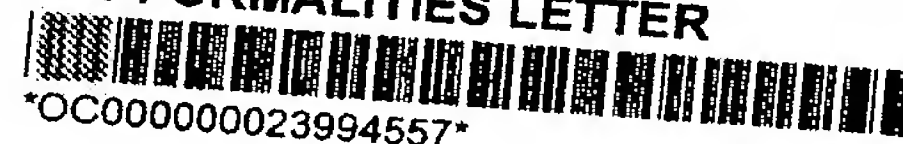
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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/01/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 09/01/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/01/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/01/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 09/01/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 09/01/2006
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- Specification filed on 09/01/2006
- Claims filed on 09/01/2006
- Abstracts filed on 09/01/2006
- Drawings filed on 09/01/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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